To: AHCCCS 270/271 Trading Partners Subject: Upcoming 270/271 Changes

Since the implementation of Version 5010 of the AHCCCS Batch 270/271 Eligibility Verification Request and Responses and AHCCCS Online Eligibility Verification, Trading Partners have found the process to be too restrictive. This resulted with a Trading Partner's inability to reconcile eligibility data within their business processes.

AHCCCS recognizes the importance of this and has agreed to allow some modifications to the 270/271 and AHCCCS online applications to accommodate these needs.

The following system changes will be made to the AHCCCS Batch 270/271 Eligibility Verification Request and Responses and AHCCCS Online Eligibility Verification response:

- Add a new search option of SSN/DOB/Last name
- Allow for an unlimited DOS search for hospitals (AHCCCS provider type 02)
- For all other providers, change the Date of Service restriction from 24 months to 36 months

Testing Timeline:

The system changes will be made available in the AHCCCS Test region beginning 4/1/14. Existing AHCCCS 270/271 Trading Partners who are interested in submitting Batch 270 Eligibility Request files to the AHCCCS Test region may do so by following the normal Testing procedures. Batch 270 Request files should be submitted to the "TEST/EDI-IN" directory on the SFTP server.

Production timeline:

The system changes will be made available in the AHCCCS Production region beginning on 4/10/14. This applies to the AHCCCS Batch 270/271 Eligibility Verification Request and Response as well as the AHCCCS Online Web Verification system (https://azweb.statemedicaid.us).

Should you have any questions regarding the above changes, please contact EDI Customer Support at EDICustomerSupport@azahcccs.gov.